## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

(original) A strap for a bow string release comprising:
 a strap having a first end and a second end;

said first end of said strap comprising a receiver having an opening for receiving said second end, said opening having an opening width;

said second end of said strap comprising a member having a width, said member width greater than said opening width.

- 2. (original) A strap according to claim 1, the second end of said strap further comprising an elastic member coupled with said member.
- 3. (original) A strap according to claim 1, the strap further comprising a clip coupled to said strap, said clip being coupled with the second end of said strap.
- 4. (original) A strap according to claim 1, the strap further comprising a clip coupled to said strap, said clip being selectively coupled with the second end of said strap.
- 5. (original) A strap according to claim 1, the strap further comprising a clip receiver coupled to said strap, and a clip coupled to said clip receiver.
- 6. (original) A strap according to claim 5 where said clip is movably coupled with said clip receiver.
- 7. (original) A strap according to claim 1, said second end of strap further comprising at least one hole provided on said strap, said hole selectively receiving a pin coupled with said receiver on said first end of said strap.
- 8. (original) A strap according to claim 1, wherein said member is triangular.
- 9. (original) A strap according to claim 1, said strap being formed from a first padded layer coupled to a second non-stretchable layer.
- 10. (original) A strap according to claim 9 the strap further comprising a third layer coupled with said second layer.

- 11. (original) A strap according to claim 9, wherein said second layer is formed of a ballistic material.
- 12. (original) A strap according to claim 1, said strap comprising a substantially v-shaped pattern.
- 13. (original) A strap according to claim 1, said tab comprising a substantially triangular pattern.
- 14. (original) A strap according to claim 1, said strap coupled to a bow string release mechanism.
- 15. (currently amended) A <u>multi-layer</u> strap for a bow string release comprising:
  a padded layer; <u>and</u>
  a substantially non-stretchable layer <del>coupled with</del> <u>overlaying</u> said padded layer <u>over</u>
  <u>substantially all of the padded layer</u>.
- 16. (original) A strap for a bow string release according to claim 15, said strap further comprising a third layer coupled with said substantially non-stretchable layer.
- 17. (previously presented) A strap for a bow string release comprising a substantially v-shaped strap having a first end and a second end, said second end being provided with a means for maintaining the second end in a semi-closed position relative to said first end, wherein said means for maintaining the second end in a semi-closed position relative to said first end is removable from said first end.
- 18. (previously presented) A strap for a bow string release comprising a first end of said strap, a second end of said strap, said first end and said second end in a semi-closed relationship and said first end being removable from said second end.
- 19. (original) A strap according to claim 18, said first end and said second end further forming a closed relationship.

- 20. (previously presented) A strap for a bow string release, the strap having a buckle/pin type construction, the strap having a first end with a receiver and a pin and a second end insertable into the receiver and removable from the receiver, the receiver having a width, and further comprising a means to selectively maintain the second end in a semi-closed position and an open position relative to the first end.
- 21. (previously presented) A strap according to claim 20, wherein the means to selectively maintain the second end in a semi-closed position relative to the first end is a member having a width not greater than the width of the receiver.
- 22. (canceled)
- 23. (currently amended) A strap according to claim [[22]] <u>20</u>, wherein the means to selectively maintain the second end in a semi-closed position relative to the first end is a tab on the second end insertable into the receiver.
- 24. (previously presented) A strap according to claim 23, wherein the tab is triangularly shaped.
- 25. (previously presented) A strap according to claim 23, further comprising a clip restraining the second end against the first end.
- 26. (previously presented) A strap according to claim 25, wherein the clip is adjustable along the first end for different wrist sizes.
- 27. (previously presented) A strap according to claim 26, further comprising an elastic member on the second end between the first end and the tab and the elastic member being insertable into the clip.